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Applicant:

Jain, et al.

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ARRAY OF MAGNETIC BEADS AND USES THEREOF

Assistant Commissioner for Patents

Washington, DC 20231

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.136

A three (3) month extension of time, from November 14, 2001, to and including February 14, 2002, is requested to respond to the Notice to File Missing Parts mailed September 14, 2001 in the above-referenced application. A check in the amount of \$460.00 is enclosed in view of the small entity status of the application.

Please charge any additional fees or credit any overpayments which may be required to our Deposit Account No. 03-1721.

Respectfully submitted,

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